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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Nobuhiko FUJIMORI, Kazuhiro SONODA, Takashi TSUKADA, Junji MATSUSHIMA, Yasushi KIMURA, Satoru KIKUCHI
SINTERED R-Fe-B PERMANENT MAGNET AND ITS PRODUCTION METHOD
Assignee: **HITACHI METALS, LTD.**
Our Ref. Q77819

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 59 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and 11 sheet(s) of drawings. Copies of an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>25</u>	-	20	=	<u>5</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$90.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>5</u>	-	3	=	<u>2</u>	x	\$86.00	=	<u>\$172.00</u>
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TOTAL FEE \$1032.00

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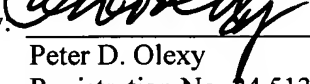
Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2002-294431	October 8, 2002
Japan	2002-362391	December 13, 2002

The priority document(s) will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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